



MIAMI COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

MIAMI COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015 1:00 P.M.

GAR ROOM-MIAMI COUNTY COURTHOUSE

MINUTES

The Miami County Solid Waste District held a meeting of the Board of Directors on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. in the GAR Room in the Miami County Courthouse, located at 25 North Broadway, Peru, Indiana.

Attending:

Board Members: Don Morris-Chairman-Town of Converse, Larry West-member-County Commissioner, Joshua Francis-member-County Commissioner, Jerry Hamman-member-County Commissioner, Tom Gustin-member-Peru City Council, Jim Walker-Mayor of Peru.

Staff Attending: Samantha Ward-Executive Director, Carla Weaver-Assistant Director/Recording Secretary.

Others: Bobbie Dausch-Contractor for the District, Ron Dausch-Contractor for the District, Jeff Barnes-Contractor for the District, Scott Shepherd-Local Realtor.

Absent: Shirley Mull- Miami County Council Member, Pat Roberts-Legal Counsel.

Call to Order: Chairman Don Morris called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M.

Approval of Minutes:

- Board members reviewed the meeting minutes from the January 20, 2015 Board of Directors meeting. *Mr. Gustin motioned to approve the meeting minutes; Mr. West seconded. Motion carried (6-0).*

Approval of Financial Report and Claims:

- There was a possible overpayment of R & B Contractor brought to the attention of the board. Ms. Ward explained in the December 15, 2014 meeting the board extended the contract for R & B Contracting until January 31, 2015. During the January 20, 2015 board meeting, the contract for R & B Contracting was accepted, but no starting date was noted. Ms. Ward asked the board which date the board wished to start the contract. If the board

chose to begin the contract February 1, 2015, the current bill would reflect an overpayment of \$380.00. If the board wished to begin the new contract January 20, 2015, no overpayment was made. *Mr. Gustin motioned to allow the contract with R & B Contracting to begin January 20, 2015 with the payment to R & B Contracting to remain as is and to approve the financial report and claims received by email; Mr. West seconded. Motion carried (6-0).*

Addition of election and Approval from January Meeting

- *Mr. West moved to retain Josh Francis as Chairman of the Board of Finance, Mr. Gustin seconded. Motion carried (6-0).*
- *Mr. Francis moved to nominate Tom Gustin as Secretary of the Board of Finance, Mr. West seconded. Motion carried (6-0).*
- Salaries for 2015 were presented for approval. The salaries remain unchanged from 2013, and 2014 for the 2015 budget. Salaries paid will be Director– \$34175.00; Assistant Director– \$27,810.00; Board member meeting stipends– \$35.00; Board Chairman meeting stipend– \$40.00. Mr. Walker wishes to return his meeting stipend to the district operating fund. *Mr. Gustin motioned to approve the salaries and stipends as presented, Mr. West seconded. Motion carried (6-0).*

Director's Report

- Ms. Ward told the board she has a put together a billing calendar for dates for when the bills will be sent out, due, late notices sent, late notices due, and the last day for sending unpaid bills to the lawyer for collections.
- Ms. Ward informed the board that she recently attended an ethics training class and the legislative breakfast. She thought both events were valuable to the district.
- Ms. Ward told the board she received a phone call from Frank at Eagles Point. He was asking the district to place a recycling container at the Eagles Point Housing area. Mr. Francis noted the severe abuse of the sight when a bin was placed there in the past. Ms. Ward told the board she had talked with other potential land owners to see if they had interest in allowing their land to be used for a drop off site. All the land owners replied they were not interested due to the residents not following the drop off site rules and leaving their junk and trash at the site.

Lawyer's Report

- Mr. Roberts is on vacation. There is no lawyer's report.

Building Committee Report

- Mr. Morris reported to the board the city inspector has looked over the building on Logansport Road we wish to purchase. There were a few minor things to address such as exit signs being posted. Mr. Morris told the board the current septic system is unacceptable for commercial use and the district would need to install a new system. A soil test has been completed on the property within the last two years and passed.
- Mr. Morris told the board the property owner, Mr. Hicks was going to file for a zoning variance for the property. The District will reimburse Mr. Hicks for the filing fee of \$35.00.
- Mr. Hicks is agreeable with selling the property to the district for \$235,000.00. The purchase order will be written so that the sale is contingent upon the property passing the Phase 1 inspection, removing all residential homes, and passing all other inspections that may be required by the state.
- Discussion followed regarding the remaining acreage behind the building. It was suggested to try to cash rent the land. Other suggestions included someone leasing the land to bale hay, or donating the hay to the county's Horse Rescue group.

Old Business

- There was no old business.

New Business

- There was no new business.

Public Comment

- There was no public comment.

Next Board Meeting:

- **BOARD OF DIRECTORS– MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. GAR ROOM– MIAMI COUNTY COURTHOUSE.**

Adjournment: *Adjournment was unanimous.*

Carla Weaver, Recording Secretary

Don Morris, Board Chairman